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REMARKS

Claims 1-4 and 16-23 are currently pending in the subject application and are presently under consideration. Favorable reconsideration of the subject patent application is respectfully requested in view of the comments herein.

I. Rejection of Claims 1-3, and 16-23 Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-3, and 16-23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Hudetz, *et al* (U.S. Patent 5,978,773) in view of O'Hagan *et al.* (U.S. Patent 6,314,406). Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested for at least the following reasons. O'Hagan *et al.* is not citable art against the subject application.

The subject application was filed after November 29, 1999, and both O'Hagan *et al.* and the present invention are commonly owned, or were subject to an obligation of assignment to Telxon Corporation at the time the inventions were made. Accordingly, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §103(c), O'Hagan *et al.* is not citable art against the subject application, and this rejection should be withdrawn.

II. Rejection of Claim 4 Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claim 4 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Hudetz, *et al*, in view of O'Hagan *et al.*, further in view of Kaplan (U.S. Patent 5,963,916). As explained above, O'Hagan *et al.* is not citable art against the subject application, and this rejection should be withdrawn.

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Conclusion

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance in view of the above comments and amendments. A prompt action to such end is earnestly solicited.

In the event any fees are due in connection with this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1063.

Should the Examiner believe a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

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